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REMARKS

Claim Rejections – 35 USC 112

Claims 3-7 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being deemed indefinite on reference to which "arm" is being recited. Responsive to this, applicant has amended every reference to "the arm" to "each arm", whereby the rejection is overcome.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC 102

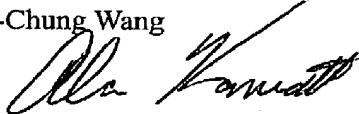
Claim 1 is rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being deemed anticipated by Hill (US patent no 896,990. However, the Examiner indicated that claims 2 and 3 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Responsive to this, applicant has canceled claim 2; incorporated the subject matter of claim 2 into claim 1; and incorporated the subject matter of claim 1 into claim 3. Thus, the amended claims 1 and 3 disclose a novel detachable folding clotheshorse.

Claims 4-11 depending on an allowable base claim are accordingly allowable.

Applicant considers that the specification is in accordance with the Examiner's comments and earliest grant is respectfully sought.

Respectfully submitted,

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